

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1           1. A method for implementing a multi-step pseudo random sequence (PRS) generator,  
2           comprising:  
3           determining relationships between outputs of flip-flops of an initial model PRS generator  
4           at a current time step  $t$  with the outputs of the flip-flops at a time step  $t-n$ , where  $n$  is a number of  
5           coefficients to be generated per time step; and  
6           coupling flip-flops in the multi-step PRS generator in response to the relationships  
7           between the outputs of the flip-flops at the current time step  $t$  with the output of the flip-flops at  
8           the time step  $t-n$ .

1           2. The method of Claim 1, further comprising the step of selecting a number of flip-  
2           flops,  $L$ , based on a length of the code sequence and a number of coefficients of the code  
3           sequence to be generated per time step.

1           3. The method of Claim 1, further comprising the step of selecting a generator  
2           polynomial for the initial model PRS generator.

1           4. The method of Claim 1, wherein determining the relationships between the outputs of  
2           the flip-flops of the initial model PRS generator at the current time step  $t$  with the outputs of the  
3           flip-flops at the time step  $t-n$  comprises:  
4           determining relationships between outputs of the flip-flops at a current time step  $t$  with  
5           the outputs of the flip-flops at a time step  $t-1$ ;  
6           determining relationships between the outputs the flip-flops at the time step  $t-1$  with the  
7           outputs of the flip-flops at a time step  $t-2$ ; and

8           determining relationships between the outputs of the flip-flops at the current time step  $t$   
9   with the outputs of the flip-flops at the time step  $t-2$ .

1           5. The method of Claim 4, wherein determining the relationships between the outputs of  
2   the flip-flops of the initial model PRS generator at the current time step  $t$  with the output of the  
3   flip-flops at the time step  $t-n$  further comprises:

4           determining relationships between the outputs the flip-flops at the time step  $t-2$  with the  
5   outputs of the flip-flops at a time step  $t-3$ ; and

6           determining relationships between the outputs of the flip-flops at the current time step  $t$   
7   with the outputs of the flip-flops at the time step  $t-3$ .

1           6. The method of Claim 5, wherein determining the relationships between the outputs of  
2   the flip-flops of the initial model PRS generator at the current time step  $t$  with the output of the  
3   flip-flops at the time step  $t-n$  further comprises:

4           determining relationships between the outputs the flip-flops at the time step  $t-3$  with the  
5   outputs of the flip-flops at a time step  $t-4$ ; and

6           determining relationships between the outputs of the flip-flops at the current time step  $t$   
7   with the outputs of the flip-flops at the time step  $t-4$ .

1           7. The method of Claim 6, wherein determining the relationships between the outputs of  
2   the flip-flops of the initial model PRS generator at the current time step  $t$  with the output of the  
3   flip-flops at the time step  $t-n$  further comprises:

4           determining relationships between the outputs the flip-flops at the time step  $t-4$  with the  
5   outputs of the flip-flops at a time step  $t-5$ ; and

6           determining relationships between the outputs of the flip-flops at the current time step  $t$   
7   with the outputs of the flip-flops at the time step  $t-5$ .

8. A method for implementing a multi-step pseudo random sequence (PRS) generator, comprising:

selecting a number of flip-flops for an initial model PRS generator,  $L$ , based on a length of the code sequence and a number of coefficients of the code sequence to be generated per time step;

selecting a generator polynomial for the initial model PRS generator;

determining relationships between outputs of the flip-flops at a current time step  $t$  with the output of the flip-flops at a time step  $t-1$ ;

determining relationships between the output the flip-flops at the time step  $t-1$  with the output of the flip-flops at a time step  $t-2$ ;

determining relationships between the outputs of the flip-flops at the current time step  $t$  with the outputs of the flip-flops at the time step  $t-2$ ; and

coupling flip-flops in the multi-step PRS generator in response to the relationships between the output of the flip-flops at the current time step  $t$  with the output of the flip-flops at the time step  $t-2$ .

9. A multi-step pseudo random sequence (PRS) generator, comprising:

a first flip-flop having an output  $Q_{0,u}$  and a generator polynomial  $G_0$ ;

a second flip-flop having an output  $Q_{1,u}$  and a generator polynomial  $G_1$ ;

a third flip-flop having an output  $Q_{2,u}$  and a generator polynomial  $G_2$ ;

a fourth flip-flop having an output  $Q_{3,u}$  and a generator polynomial  $G_3$ ;

an input of the first flip-flop coupled the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{0,u}$  is generated in response to  $G_0*[G_0*Q_{0,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_1*Q_{1,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_2*Q_{2,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_3*Q_{3,u-1}] \text{ XOR } G_1*Q_{0,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_2*Q_{1,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_3*Q_{2,u-1}$ ;

an input to the second flip-flop coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{1,u}$  is generated in response to  $G_0 * Q_{0,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_1 * Q_{1,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_2 * Q_{2,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_3 * Q_{3,u-1}$ ; and  
an input to the third flip-flop coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{2,u}$  is generated in response to  $Q_{0,u-1}$ .

10. The multi-step PRS generator of Claim 9, further comprising an input to the fourth flip-flop coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{3,u}$  is generated in response to  $Q_{1,u-1}$ .

11. The multi-step PRS generator of Claim 9, wherein the input of the first flip-flop is coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{0,u}$  is further generated in response to  $G_1 * [G_0 * Q_{0,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_1 * Q_{1,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_2 * Q_{2,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_3 * Q_{3,u-1}] \text{ XOR } G_2 * Q_{0,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_3 * Q_{1,u-1}$ .

12. The multi-step PRS generator of Claim 9, wherein the input of the second flip-flop is coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{1,u}$  is further generated in response to  $G_1 * Q_{0,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_2 * Q_{1,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_3 * Q_{2,u-1}$ .

13. The multi-step PRS generator of Claim 9, wherein the input of the third flip-flop is coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{2,u}$  is further generated in response to  $G_1 * Q_{1,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_2 * Q_{2,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_3 * Q_{3,u-1}$ .

14. The multi-step PRS generator of Claim 9, further comprising an input to the fourth flip-flop coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{3,u}$  is generated in response to  $Q_{0,u-1}$ .

15. The multi-step PRS generator of Claim 11, wherein the input of the first flip-flop is coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{0,u}$  is further generated in response to  $G_1 * Q_{0,u-1}$

3 XOR  $G_2 * Q_{1,u-1}$  XOR  $G_3 * Q_{2,u-1}$  XOR  $G_2 * [G_0 * Q_{0,u-1}$  XOR  $G_1 * Q_{1,u-1}$  XOR  $G_2 * Q_{2,u-1}$  XOR  $G_3 * Q_{3,u-1}]$   
 4 XOR  $G_0 * Q_{1,u-1}$ .

1 16. The multi-step PRS generator of Claim 12, wherein the input of the second flip-flop  
 2 is coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{1,u}$  is further generated in response to  
 3  $G_1 * [G_0 * Q_{0,u-1}$  XOR  $G_1 * Q_{1,u-1}$  XOR  $G_2 * Q_{2,u-1}$  XOR  $G_3 * Q_{3,u-1}]$  XOR  $G_2 * Q_{0,u-1}$  XOR  $G_3 * Q_{1,u-1}$ .

1 17. The multi-step PRS generator of Claim 13, wherein the input of the third flip-flop is  
 2 coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{2,u}$  is further generated in response to  $G_1 * Q_{0,u-1}$   
 3 XOR  $G_2 * Q_{1,u-1}$  XOR  $G_2 * Q_{3,u-1}$ .

1 18. The multi-step PRS generator of Claim 9, further comprising an input to the fourth  
 2 flip-flop coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{3,u}$  is generated in response to  
 3  $G_0 * Q_{0,u-1}$  XOR  $G_1 * Q_{1,u-1}$  XOR  $G_2 * Q_{2,u-1}$  XOR  $G_3 * Q_{3,u-1}$ .

1 19. The multi-step PRS generator of Claim 9, further comprising a fifth flip-flop having  
 2 an output  $Q_{4,u}$  and a generator polynomial  $G_4$ .

1 20. The multi-step PRS generator of Claim 19, further comprising an input to the fifth  
 2 flip-flop coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{4,u}$  is generated in response to  $Q_{2,u-1}$ .

1 21. The multi-step PRS generator of Claim 19, further comprising an input to the fifth  
 2 flip-flop coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{4,u}$  is generated in response to  $Q_{1,u-1}$ .

1 22. The multi-step PRS generator of Claim 19, further comprising an input to the fifth  
 2 flip-flop coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{4,u}$  is generated in response to  $Q_{0,u-1}$ .

- 1           23. The multi-step PRS generator of Claim 19, further comprising an input to the fifth
- 2 flip-flop coupled to the PRS generator such that the output  $Q_{4,u}$  is generated in response to
- 3  $G_0 * Q_{0,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_1 * Q_{1,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_2 * Q_{2,u-1} \text{ XOR } G_3 * Q_{3,u-1}$ .